

# Report to the People - Fiscal Year 2015



#### Fiscal Year 2015 Summary - Executive Director Kurt Kuhne

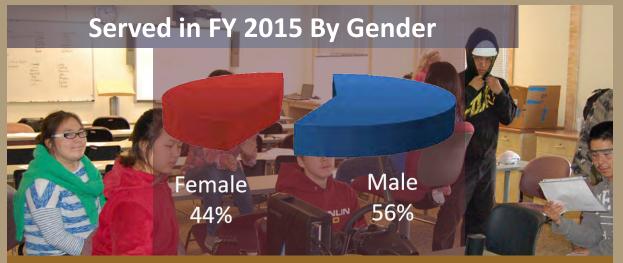
The past year has brought some exciting changes to Yuut Elitnaurviat. The Kuskokwim Learning Academy (KLA) began using our Construction Trades Shop for hands-on training so that students can graduate with a diploma and real world skills that will lead to jobs in the trades. To support KLA and the LKSD "Ready" Programs we expanded our meal and residential services. We now feed students in both of these programs and house all of the "Ready" students on campus. Expanding our services to high school programs has been a priority set by the YE Board and we are working on expanding programs so that village based students can participate in trades classes.

YE continues to provide direct-to-employment training for people from the YK Delta in welding, commercial driving, healthcare, apprenticeship and law enforcement. All of these programs are going strong and are training people from the YK Delta for jobs in or near their home communities.

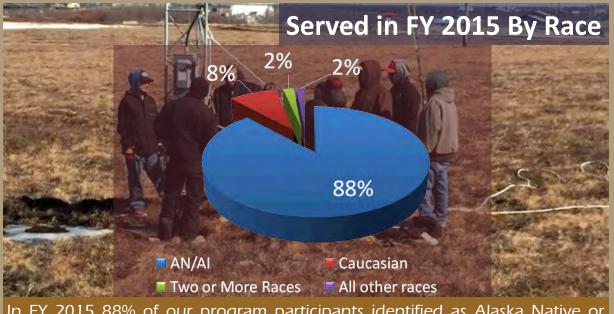
In the following pages, you will find more specific information on the different programs and services that we offer, as well as some other interesting information about what we do and who we serve. We are proud of what we do and hope that you find this newsletter informative.

## Fiscal Year (FY) 2015 - By the Numbers

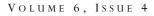
## Number of individuals served: **739** Number of services given: **1020**



Yuut Elitnaurviat served an almost even number of males and females across all of our combined programs in FY15. It can be noted that certain programs lean more heavily male or female in terms of enrollment.



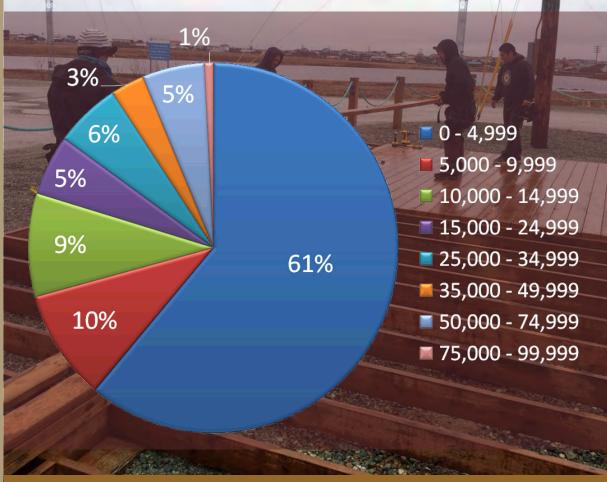
In FY 2015 88% of our program participants identified as Alaska Native or American Indian. Those identifying as Caucasian were our second largest group served, accounting for 8% of our services. People who identified as belonging to Two or More Races made up 2% and all other races combined made up the remaining 2%.





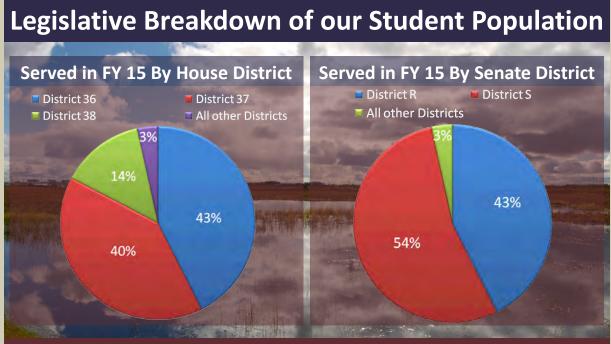
### **Economic Breakdown of our Student Population**

### Breakdown of FY15 Students Who Reported Annual Household Income (In US Dollars)



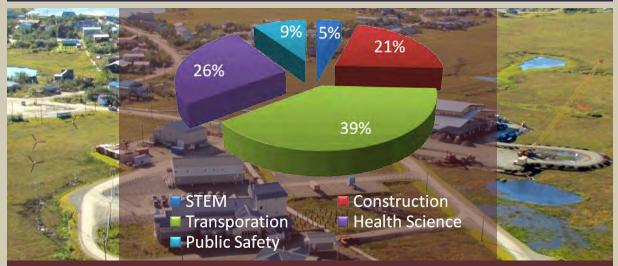
Of those individuals served by Yuut Elitnaurviat in FY15 who chose to report their annual household income, 61% of them fell into the \$0 - 4,999 income bracket. According to the U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, the 2015 Poverty Level for an Alaskan household of one is \$14,720. Assuming that the respondents had only one person in their household, 71% of our students were below the 2015 Poverty Level. Since the federal poverty level is within \$279 dollars of the high end of the \$10,000 - 14,999 income range it would not be out of the realm of possibility that the nine percent of our students who reported an annual income in that range would also fall under the 2015 Poverty Level for Alaska.





The population we served in FY15 came from 8 different Alaska Senate Districts and 11 different Alaska House Districts. Because of our mission to serve the people of the Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta region almost all of the people served by Yuut Elitnaurviat in FY15 came from Senate Districts S and R, and House Districts 36, 37, and 38. The people we served from other House and Senate Districts made up 3% of our student population in both cases.

#### FY 15 Service Breakdown by Career Cluster



Yuut Elitnaurviat offers programs within five of the National Career Clusters. Almost 40% of our FY15 services were in the Transportation Cluster. Around a quarter of our services were in the Health Science Cluster and close to a fifth were in the Construction Cluster. The Public Safety and STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) Clusters made up the final 14%.



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#### Yuut Elitnaurviat's Six Program Departments

### **Adult Basic Education Program**

381 Services given in FY1598% of our Adult Basic Education students were Alaska Native or American Indian

The Bethel Regional ABE Program at Yuut Elitnaurviat offers free tutoring and testing for the GED Exam and houses the only Pearson Vue testing center in the YK Delta. Our GED Works grant pays for student GED testing and also can pay for Driver Education, Construction Trades classes, and CNA training.

**College Readiness Program** 

28 Services given in FY15 97% of our College Readiness students were Alaska Native or American Indian

The STEM Ready and Aviation Ready programs bring students in from Lower Kuskokwim School District (LKSD) schools to take classes in Bethel that are not offered in their home villages. They are housed in Yuut Elitnaurviat's Kuskokwim and Rasmuson Dorms during their time away from home. In FY15 Yuut Elitnaurviat held a Mining Trades Camp for the STEM Ready students in partnership with The University of Alaska's MAPTS program and Donlin Gold.



In FY15 Yuut Elitnaurviat held two Rural Facility Maintenance Technician (RFMT) Level 100 classes through the GED Works grant. In partnership with AVEC and the City of Bethel we held a Wind Turbine Technician Assistant training through a grant from Wells Fargo. We also held a twelve week welding training in partnership with AVCP, Inc. for boardwalk construction projects in the YK Delta. We are planning to hold more Trades classes in FY16.



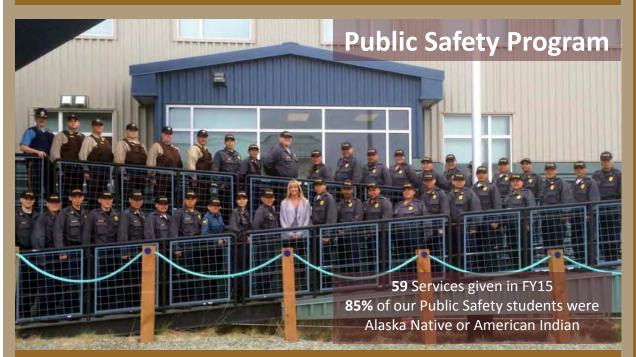
Yuut Elitnaurviat's Driver Training Program remains one of our most popular training opportunities. Program participants use our Tractor-Trailer and Driving Van so that people who don't own vehicles themselves can still take the State of Alaska Road Tests without having to go to Anchorage. This year our full CDL program trained eight different Class A drivers for the region.



#### **Healthcare Program**



In partnership with UAF-Kuskokwim Campus, LKSD, and YKHC, Yuut Elitnaurviat trained twenty-six CNA students over FY15. In the coming year there will be more Adult CNA classes through the GED Works Program as well as classes for KLA and Bethel Regional High School students.



Yuut Elitnaurviat's Public Safety program is successful due to our partnerships with the State of Alaska Department of Public Safety and with AVCP, Inc. Yuut Elitnaurviat hosted two VPO/TPO Academies during FY15 and already has more Public Safety training scheduled for FY16.



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# Preparing Local Workers for Local High-Wage Jobs All Year Long



#### How do I get involved in all this training?

Yuut Elitnaurviat offers training programs in response to employment demand from the eleven partner organizations which make up our Board of Directors. Openings are posted on our website: www.yuut.org and on our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/YuutElitanurviat. You can also contact us by phone at (907) 543-0999 for more information.